(c) The Governors have been appointed keeping in view their suitability as per usual practice.

The recommendation made by the Sarkaria Commission on Centre-State Relations in regard to the appointment and role of Governors have been considered by the Standing Committee of the Inter-State Council. However, the Inter State Council so yet to take a view in the matter.

Construction of building of Anand Vihar Police Station

4678. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 2337 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th July, 1998 and state:

(a) the venue and area of the land allotted by DDA for construction of Anand Vihar Police Station building;

(b) the details of work progress in respect of construction of the building and by when it will be completed; and

(c) whether Government would issue some instructions to the officials of Anand Vihar Police Station to function within the premises of the Police Station to avoid any inconvenience to the residents of the Anand Vihar D.D.A. Flats?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) The Delhi Development Authority has allotted a piece of land measuring 10297 Sq. Mtd. at Facility Centre No. 17 near Centre for Business Development (CBD), Shahdara, Delhi for the construction of Anand Vihar Police Station.

(b) The possession of the plot was taken over recently by Delhi Police and the Public works Department requested to taken steps for construction of the Police Station building.

(c) Delhi Police have already issued instructions to Anand Vihar Police Station personnel to ensure that no inconvenience is caused to the residents of DDA flats, Anand Vihar.

Power Projects based on Liquid Fuel

4679. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have lifted the upper ceiling of 12000 MW stipulated for developing projects based on liquid fuel, as reported in the Hindustan Times dated 2nd July, 1998;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating whether private promoters have been allowed to use diesel for power generation;

(c) whether Government have also given the freedom to States for reallocation of the existing fuel linkage projects in cases where there is no progress made in development of projects by Independent Power Producers (IPPS); and

(d) if so, which States have so far responded to modified liquid fuel policy of Government?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARA MANGALAM): (a) to (d) In order to meet the energy shortage in the short run, the Government had allocated liquid fuel for about 12,000 MW of projects to the various States. As per the revised liquid fuel policy recently announced, the existing ceiling would apply only to naphtha and States would be free to contract for new power projects based on FD and non traditional fuels like condensate and crimulsion. The States would also be able to reallocate the existing liquid fuel linkages, wherever they feel that existing promoters would not be able to develop the projects, for which they have to send their proposals to the Government within one month. Diesel would be permitted for power generation only as a special case in inaccessible and isolated areas where

small diesel based capacities are sought to be set up and where use of other fuels is not feasible. The necessary guidelines regarding these modifications in the policy have been communicated to the concerned State Governments. The State Governments of Andhra Prades and Rajasthan have sent their recommendations in pursuance of the modified policy.

Agreement between NTPC and CIL

4680. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NIPC and CIL have signed an agreement;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(c) the efficiency likely to be improved by NTPC thereafter?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARA MANGALAM): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However a long-term coal supply agreement is under finalisation between National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) and Coal India Limited (CIL). The salient features of the proposed agreement include:—

(1) Quantity of coal supplied to be commensurate with actual requirement; and

(2) Explicit provisions for weighment, joint sampling and quality control.

(c) NTPC is likely to achieve higher levels of generation as well as improvement in the Plant Load Factor in case coal supplies are made strictly in accordance with the proposed coal supply agreement.

External Loans to Power Finance Corporation

4681. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Power Finance Corporation has successfully raised $100 million loan, the first major external commercial loan, following Nuclear tests, despite sanctions being imposed by G-8 countries; and

(b) if so, how for the impact of the sanctions was experienced in raising the External loan?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI R. KUMARA MANGALAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The loan agreement for US$ 100 Million syndicated loan facility has been signed on 7th July, 1998.

(b) The sanctions were imposed while the syndication for the loan was in progress. Inspite of this, syndication was successfully closed at the original price and other terms & conditions agreed with the Lead Arranger.

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4682. **श्री मनोहर कान्त ध्यानी:** क्या विद्युत मंत्री 3 जून, 1998 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 837 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) 1997 के मूल्य स्तर पर आधारित 4570 करोड़ रुपये की राशि की तुलना में अब तक कितनी राशि खर्च की गई है; और

(ख) इस राशि में से पुनर्वास पर कितने प्रतिशत राशि खर्च की गई?

विद्युत मंत्री (श्री रंगराजन कुमारमंगलम): (क) और (ख) टिहरी पम्प स्टोरेज परियोजना और जल विद्युत परियोजना और कोटेश्वर बांध के अनिवार्य एवं वचनबद्ध कार्यों सहित टिहरी बांध और जल विद्युत परियोजना (1000 मे०वा०) की 4570 करोड़ रुपये की संशोधित लागत अनुमानों की तुलना में अब तक मार्च, 1998 तक 1642.45 करोड़ रुपये की राशि व्यय की जा चुकी है।

1642.45 करोड़ रु० के व्यय में से पुनर्वास और पुनर्स्थापना पर उपगत व्यय का प्रतिशत लगभग 25% बैठता है।